"Let There be Business." Let the Tee-Dee Want Ads, Furnish You With Business.

THE TIMES, FOUND LD 1886, THE DISPATCH, FOUNDED 1800.

SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Forecast for unday and Monday. Virginia—Fair, continued cold Sunday; Virginia—Fair, continued cold Sunday; tonday fair, not so co.i.; fresh west inds, becoming variable.

North Carollina—Fair Sunday, with a cid wave; Monday fair and not so coldicast north to northeast winds.

The weather Christmas Day and night was almost as warm as spring, but early exelerely morning the advance guard of the cold wave struck the city, and by ast ult. The mercury halfallen far be ow the freezing point.

PATE OF THE THERMOMETER.

Bun rises. 7:25 Heldh TiDe.

Sun rises. 4:37 Morning. 0:48
Moon sets. 12:00 Evening. 11:00
December 28, 1997.

Bun rises. 7:25 High TiDe.
Sun rises. 4:467 Morning. 11:43
Moon sets. 1:17 Evening.

Richmond.

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Aftermath of 'Christmas—Cold wave strikes the country—Friends of Lieutenant-Governor Willard rosent the In. Junation that he is not a resident of Virginia—Stranger thinks the Etate Capitol is a condemned building—Great speakers to be heard at the meeting of the Antisaloon League—Masons to celebrate his Day of St. John the Evangelist to-day. An Jrish baronet to visit Richmond—Mr. R. W. Powers ill with Inchmond—Mr. R. W. Powers ill with Penumonia—Tax-payers are urged to settle up and avoid the penalty—Work that awaits lawmakers—Now books received during the week at the Satu Livary—Death of Mrs. Edmonia Sinton Johnston—Christmas meet of the Deep Run Hunt Clus—Musical programmes in the various churches to-day—First githering of the T. D. C. Clu at the Bijou Wednesday—Dr. Mundall to speak at the Y. M. C. A. to-day—Delegates to New Orleans spend several hours in Johnston—Christmas meet of the Deep Tay—Dought of the T. D. C. Clus at the Bijou Wednesday—Dr. Mundall to speak at the Y. M. C. A. to-day—Delegates to New Orleans spend several hours in Juchmond, but a misunderstanding regarding the time of the arrival of their train prevents their being shown contemplated attentions—Captim Charles I. Phillips again chosen potentate of Acca Temple—A handsome gift tendered the chief train dispatcher of the Chesapeake and Onio Rallawy—Coroner Taylor falls to hold an inquest for the first time in four years. MANCHESTEIR—Mrs. Base continues to improve—Services in the churches to-day—Marrange of Missireet Mathodist Church—Brisk tride after Christmas—Number of arrests made—Negro shot in the head still alive—Elks' poet laureate gets off some verses.

Virginia.

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A brother of Representative George K.

15/likins shoots and kills a companion, at
woodville, in Rappahannock county, and
so far has avoided capture—Fire does
thirty thousand collars damage at Augusta.
Springs tannery—James C. Lewis, at
windnester, calls for a last kies from his
wife, and then drinks curboile acid—
Mrs. J. E. B. Stuart the winner of a handtome ring in a Norfolk raffle—The submerical corpedo boat Moocasin destined to
lice on the boath and winter—A negro hox killed in Amheris for his money
and his body thrown in the river—Negro
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North Carolina.

As result of family vendetta man shoots his brother-in-law in his bed, and when captured by three officers his sisters attack the trie and the prisoner escapes—A curly poplar tree felled near Waynes—Ville valued at \$1,500—Christians and hebrews commingle in the observance of Christmas Day, in Raleigh—The holiday trade just closed the largest in history.

General.

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Terrine windstorm blows out red signal on the Pere Marquette, near Grand Hapids, causing fearful wreck of passenger trains filled with holiday folk, and seventeen are killed and many injured—William J. Bryan so much pleased with municipal ownership abrond that he will advocate it in America—Mr. Bryan the guest, of honor at a dinner in Berlin and praises America's representatives abrond—North and New England States swept by flerce gale, while storms rage in South and intense cold prevails in the West—A Clyde Line steamer sunk in Boston harbor during the bish wind and a dredge carries three men to watery graves—Massachusetts Democrats start a boom for Olney for President—Colombia's representatives growing impatient for our answer to the note of General Royes, and unless it is soon siven General Royes, and unless it is soon siven General Royes, and unless it is soon siven General Royes, and Dr. Herran will leave Washington—Former Premier Zanardelli dies at his villa at Maderno—Sult brought in Mobile, Ala., to restrain the Mobile and Ohio from jaxying interest upon certain mortgage bonds—Patal affray occurs at Christians tree, at Bessemer, Ala,—Richmond lanks make good showing in weekly bank statement—Japan sajd to be negotiating for more warships and preparing for war if it must come—i., F. Loree to he made president of the Baitimoro and Ohio italiroad—Building to be erected in New York twice as high as any now there, and having forty stories—James Gordon Beniett to establish a public park as a memorial to his father the founder of the Herald—Chylsithas receptorio to children at the White House a notable affair.

EXTRADITION GRANTED IN THE KRATZ CASE

THE GALLEGO MILLS DESTROYED; BUSINESS SECTION IN FIERY RAIN.

COLOMBIA **IMPATIENT** FOR REPLY

Minister Calls Twice on Secretary Hay.

HAS NOT INDICATED WHEN WILL ANSWER

Unless the Reply Is Satisfactory Both General Reyes and Dr. Herran Will Leave.

WANT TO REFER IT TO THE HAGUE

Admiral Coghlan Denies That He Landed Force on Colombia Territory-The Dixie to Sail for Colon With Six Hundred Marines-Destrovers to be Sent.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., December 26.-Unless the United States, in the reply which Secretary Hay will make to the note of General Reyes, accords Colombia that measure of satisfaction to which from her point of view, she feels herself entitled, with respect to Panama, both General Reyes and Dr. Herran will leave to-night. While disavowing any intention of bringing undue pressure to bear of Secretary Hay for a speedy reply to the note which General Reyes has filed in behalf of his government, both he and

behalf of his government, both he and Dr. Herran are most anxious to be apprised of the Secretary's conclusions at the earliest possible moment.

COULD NOT SEE HAY.

With the view of obtaining light on this point, Dr. Herran, the Colombian charge, to-day twice called at the residence of Mr. Hay, but was unable to see him on account of his continued liness. The hope is entertained both by General Reves and Dr. Herran that in the event of a refusal by Mr. Hay to admit their contentions, the United States may agree as a last resort to a submission of the proposition to The Hague Court of Arbitration.

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the note was in accordance with the treaty
of 186 between the United States and
Colombia, one of the provisions of which
gives the contracting party feeling aggrieved at the action of the other the
right to protest, with the further stipulation that a reply shall be forthcoming.
It is said that Mr. Hay has not indicated
when he will make answer to the Colombian note.

Did Not Land Troops.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 26,— The following cablegram reached the Navy Department to-day from Rear-Ad-miral Coghlan, at Colon: "Atlanta did not land armed force on Colombian territory at any time for any purpose. Two officers landed as usual with sword at invitation of Colombian generals."

generals.

Admiral Coghlan also cabled the department that he would proceed to Cartagena with his flagship, the Olympia, at daybreak, December 26th, for the purpose of bringing Minister Beaupre Colon, on his way to the United States from Bogota, on leave.

Transports Ready.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-War Department officials admit that the transports Summer and McClellan, at New York, as well as the Sherman, Buford and Crook, at San Francisco, are being fitted

Crook, at San Francisco, are being litted out for active service.

The two vessels at New York have been in a state of readiness for several weeks, but so far no calls have been made for them. It is expected that one of them will be utilized in bringing to the United States the artillery troops now statemed near Havana and at Santiago. Primarily all of these transports are intended for the Manila service.

Destroyers for Colon. (Dy Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Truxton,
flagship of the second torpede flotilla,

THE SAD FATE OF A SCHOOL BOY

Window Sash Falls on His Neck and He Perishes Miserably.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHATHAM, VA., December 25.-The lifeless body of the fifteen-year-ord son of James Yates was found hanging from a window of Green Bay School here Fri-day. The youth left his home Thursday (By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 26.—
The State Department has received a telegram from Mr. McCreary, the United States charge at Mexico City, stating that the Mexican Government has granted the extradition of Charles Kraiz, wanted in St. Louis for alleged connection with the franchise scandals in that ally.

Dixie to Sail With Marines.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Final Preparations have been made for the sailing of the auxiliary cruiser Dixle, and on Monday she will teave the League Island navy-yard with six hundred marines for Colon. The force will be commanded by Brigadler-General Elliott, who will arsive few Weshleyton Leaverney. rive from Washington to-morrow.

The Dixle has been equipped to maintain one thousand men for a period of five months.

Italy's Recognition.

(By Associated Press,)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Acting Secretary of State Loomis has been notified
by the Italian Embassy that the government of Italy has recognized the new

FAVOR JIMINEZ.

The Revolution in San Domingo Takes a New Turn.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.-United States Minister Powell reports to the State Department, under yesterday's date, from San Domingo city, confirming the cabled announcement that the town of Mucoris ms prenounced in favor of Jiminez, and adds that troops from that place, under the insurgent flag, are marching on the City of San Domingo. A great many arrests are being made at the capital, but otherwise everything

FEARFUL

Brother of Representative George C. Elkins Shoots and Kills a Companion at Woodville.

OYSTER STEW IN A STORE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LURAY, VA., Dec. 26 .- A fatal shooting

affray occurred at Woodville, Rappahannock county, Christmas Eye,, in which Joseph Kibler, a prominent citizen of that county, was killed by Hugh Elkins, a brother of Hon. George C. Elkins, member of the Legislature from Page and Rappahannock counties, and formerly postmaster at Woodville.

The scene of the tragedy is remote from railroad, and particulars are hard to obtain, but it appears that Kibler with several companions was in a store in Woodville stewing oysters, when young Elkins entered and engaged in conversation with the men.

KNOCKED OYSTERS OFF.

A difficulty soon arose between Kibler and Elkins, and the latter is alleged to have knocked the cysters from the stove. This brought on a personal encounter between Kibler and Elkins, in which tho-latter fared badly. Elkins, it is said, im-mediately left the store and went to his home, where he secured a shotgun and

apprehended.
THE VICTIM.
Kibler is a brother of N. H. Kibler, the depot agent at Kimball, this county. A description of Hugh Elkins has been sent description of Hugh Elkins has been sent to all adjoining counties. He is described as very popular, and about twenty-one years of age. He is a son of the late Presley Elkins, a well known citizen of that county. His brother, Hon. George C. Elkins, has been notified of the tragedy, and will arrive at Woodville te-night.

MERCHANT LOSES LIFE OVER SMALL ACCOUNT

(Ry Associated Press.)

BROWNSVILLE, TENN., Dec. 20.—
One man was killed and four seriously wounded as the result of a pliched battle near Randolpu. The trouble, growing out of a dispute over a small account, ret shotgun in the hands of a young white merchant named 'rom Itelliuss bend, and the volley was returned by open Jackson with a pistol, Hollingshead fell dead with a bullet through his heart and John, Walter and Henry Jackson and Andrew Pugh, all negroes, were seriously wounded.

AN ALABAMA FARMER KILLED IN HIS HOME

(By Associated Press.)

BREWTON, ALA., December 26.—News reached here to-day of the assassination Thursday night of M. H. Reidy, a farmer. at his home in the southwestern portion of the county. Unknown persons fired upon him with a shotgun, killing him instantly, and wounding another man. The shots were fired through a window of Mr. Reidy's home.

ARCHBISHOP CHAPELLE NOT INVITED TO ROME

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Archbishop Chapelle stalled to-day for Cuba, whence he came to take part in the ceremonles of the Louisiana transfer celebration. The archbishop expects to be absent for some months. At the archbishopric nothing was known of the report from Rome that the archbishop was contemplating a visit there. The archbishop has not yet been summoned and bas no present intention of going abroad.

BRYAN FOR -MUNICIPAL **OWNERSHIP**

Wishes United States to Imitate England.

MANY EXAMPMES ARE GIVEN BY HIM

He Says That Both Gas and Water Are Made Much Cheaper.

WHAT LONDON IS NOW DOING IN THIS MATTER

Many Cities Assuming Control of Their Street Railway Systems-Leading Men Devoting Themselves to Municipal Affairs Without Any Compensation.

BY W. J. BRYAN.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.) LONDON, Dec. 26 .- Let us hope that the time is near at hand when the successfu business men in the United States, instead of continuing their accumulations to the very end of life, will be satisfied secured, give to their country the benefit of their experience, their intelligence and their conscience, as many of the business men of 193 gland, Scotland and Ireland are doing, as shown by the de velopment of municipal ownership in the British Tales.

British Tsies.

Glasgow owns and operates its witersystem. In this case, however, the water instead of being furnished at so much per thousand gallons, is paid for by a tax upon the property.
Glasgow owns its gass plant and furnishes gas to consumers at about 50 cents per thousand cubic feet.

The tramways are owned and operated by the municipality. The service is excellent, and the fare depends on the distance travelled. At certain hours of the day, there are special cars that carry

day, there are special cars that carry laboring men, from one end of the city to the other for one cent.

London is also making progress in the work of municipalizing its public service. The County Council is taking over the water service and is also furnishing to some extent electricity.

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Just now the County Council is putting down tramways and preparing to follow in the footsteps of Glasgow in the matter of furnishing transit for its citizens. Nottingham has furnished gas to its citizens for more than thirty years. The price of gas has been reduced from time to time, until it is now about 50 cents per thousand for private citizens, and about \$120,000 a year. It is only about five years since the city entered upon the work of furnishing electricity, but the profit from that source is now nearly

The city has taken over the tramways and, notwithstanding that it has raised the wages of the employes, shortened the hours of labor, improved the service, extended the lines and reduced the fares, it has now derived about 190,000 profit from the earnings of the tramways. Nottingham has a population of about 29,000. Birmingham furnishes water and light to its neothe and has tust deabout 29,000. Birmingam Turnings water and light to its people and has just decided to take charge of the tramway service. It already owns the tracks, but has been allowing private corporations to run the cars. The people have decided to operate the lines in the future.

GREAT INTEREST SHOWN.

In Belfast I found that the city had

WILL BE TALLEST **BUILDING ON EARTH**

One to be Erected on Lower Broadway Forty-five Stories High, Making 615 Feet.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The tallest building on earth is to be erected in lower Broadway, if the present plans are carried out. With five stories below the street level, forty stories high from the entrance to the top floor, and surmounted by a sixty-foot tower, the gigantic new building will have a total height of 615 feet, making it over twice as high as the Platiron building and almost as tall again as the Park Row building, which at present holds the record.

This building would extend one full block on Broadway and its cost, including the site, will reach \$10,000,00. The land is said to have been secured, and the completion of the building within one

A Lucky Reporter.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—John H. O'Brien,
a political reporter on the New York
San, has been apointed sourctary to
Mayor-elect McClelland,

decided to take charge of the tramway tracks, the only disputed question being whether the city would pledge itself to the permanent operation of the lines or reserve the right to permit private corporations to use the tracks.

Nothing has impressed me more in my visit to the British isless than the interest which the leading citizens of the various municipalities are taking in problems of government and sociology. It must be remembered that here the members of the city councils receive no pay.

The work that they do is entirely gratuitous and I have found that the councils are composed of representatives of all classes of society. Many of the successful business men, professional men and educators are to be found devicing a portion of their time, sometimes a very considerable portion, to the work of the city.

They attend meetings, serve on committees and carry on investigations, and find their recompense not in a salary, but in the honor which attaches to the position and in the consciousness that they are giving something of value to their fellows.

FATAL AFFRAY OCCURS AT CHURCH XMAS TREE

(By Associated Press.)

BESSEMER, ALA., Dec. 26.—Informa-tion has reached here from Cedar Bluff of the killing of John Parsons by A. J. Lockhart, at a Christmas tree given at a church. Lockhart, who is a peace officer, was acting as Santa Claus. ' It is alleged the Parsons become disorderly Lockhart halted the proceedings and ejected him. When the affair was over. Parsons atticked Lockhart with a kulfe as the latter left the building. Lockhart drew a pistol and shot Parsons to death, after having himself been cut in several

FIERCE GALE IN NEW YORK

Many Persons Hurt by Flying Missiles During the Darkness.

THE MERCURY GOES DOWN

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 26 -- A driving snow storm, accompanied by furious squalle force, struck the city early to-day. Low ering, black clouds pressing down on bank of sea fog and the dense character of the snowfall combined to produce for that lights were lit in all the the down town streets and along the river fronts.

During this period many ferry boats and other craft lost their bearings com the whistles of vessels cautionsly groping their way through the gloom. One way through the gloom. Brooklyn boat, heading for the Manhat tan side, found herself off the Battery several blocks away from her slip. Ocean steamers bound in and out were pelled to slip and He to until the

damage.

The darkness lifted almost as quickly as it settled down, and the snow was succeeded by clearing skies, high gales and a rapidly falling temperature, the mercury going down fifteen degrees, from 3t to 18, within three hours. So flerce was the gale during the afternoon that many pedestrians were threwn down and in some instances were seriously injured. Around "Cape Platiron," at Broadway and Twenty-third Street, the wind raged in gusts of almost cyclonic fury. Here one man was dangerously hert, by being struck with a fragment of a large plate glass window, blown out of an adjacent building.

Towards evening the wind, which had at times attained a velocity of sixty miles an hour, died down, the mercury continuing to drop until at 10 eclock it touchee, seven degrees above zero, with indications of still lower figures during the night. In all about a dozen were reported by the police to have been injured by falls or flying pieces of debris during the day. The total snowfall was only about helt an inch.

TERRIFIC AT BOSTON.

Wild Storm Causes Number of Marine Disasters.

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 28.—After one of the militest Christmas days for many years a wild winter's storm broke over New England to-day and as usual wascountable for a number of marine disasters.

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Up to 7 o'clock to-night three wrocks had been reported, while several other vessels had been in distress during the day. One of the wrecks a dredge, which sunk within six miles of the wharves of Boston, resulted in the loss of three men, but in the case of the other two, the shiking of the steamer Klowa off Boston light and the wreck of the barge John W. Mackay off Watch Hill, R. 1., everyone was saved, Reports from Maine and New Hampshire show that the storm has delayed train service sonsiderably.

THREE MEN DROWNED. Sinking of Dredge in Boston Harbor Causes Loss of Life.

(By Associated Press.)
BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 26.—Three men were drowned to-day by the sinking of the dredge General Poe in the channel between Deer Island and Nix's Mate in Boston harbor. Twelve others were research

Two of the rescued men had to be (Continued on Second Page)

\$260,000 Burned This Morning. THE SPECTACLE A BEAUTIFUL

Property to the Value of

BUT AT TIMES A FEARFUL ONE The Immense Mill Structure Which Has Stood for

Nearly Forty Years Wiped Out in Two Hours. Grain and Flour Consumed.

BUILDINGS IN OTHER PARTS OF CITY WERE IN DANGER

Great Vigilance Resulted in the Smothering of Many Incipient Fires-Insurance on the Burned Mills Almost Sufficient to Cover the Loss-Fireman Lawrence-Haake Quite Seriously Injured-Scenes and Incidents of the Fire, Which Was the Most Disastrous Since the Burning

of the Jefferson Hotel-Origin of Fire a Mystery, as No One, so Far as Known, Was in the Structure Last Night.

The old Gallego Wills, one of the most famous landmarks of the city, is in ashes. Only the charred walls of the great building re-

The flames, discovered a few moments after I o'clock this mornng in the very summit of the gigantic old structure, were beyond the reach of the fire apparatus, and owing to the isolation of the towering building, it was impossible to reach the flames with a stream of water while they might be stayed. By a quarter past 2 the great tower surmounting the steep roof was a spectacular mass of flames that illuminated the surroundings for miles. In an hour the entire roof was a mass of seething, crackling, resistless flames, and the doom of the massive and historic old structure was seen to be as inevitable as the sunrise of the morrow.

The flames had been communicated to the lower floors by the dawnward crash of the steel tower with the heavy tank within it, and the devouring flame was running riot through the third, fourth and lifth floors, licking angry tongues from every window and driving back spectators more than a hundred yards away by the fierce heat.

By 2 o'clock the flames had become so fierce that the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, which had long strings of loaded and unloaded box cars on every side track on the basin bank, had engines at work removing the cars from the ignition by the heat, which a few moments later became so fierce as to drive the firemen and all the specta-

PRESENTED GRAND SPECTACLE.

The destruction of the famous old mill was the most spectacular fire ever seen in Richmond. From the moment when the tower upor the summit became well aflams it served as a gigantic torch to light the entire horizon with a brilliancy almost rivalling that of the noon-

As the fire steadily made its way downward the illumination became more and more grand until the entire front of the cities of Richmond and Manchester and river for miles was brilliantly lighted. Great showers of sparks, some of them coals of fire and even burning brands, were lifted high in air and swept northwestward and later northward, falling three and even five blocks away. All through the Capitol Square by 2:30 A. M. there was a constant rain of firebrands, giving a weird and wonderful effect. Roofs all along Main Street were covered with the burning coals and brands, and there was imminent danger of their ignition.

The great blazing structure was watched by constantly augmenting crowds until thousands were gathered at every advantageous point from which an unobstructed view could be had. The Capitol portico was brightly illuminated by the brilliant spectacle.

THE LOSS AND INSURANCE.

The mills were owned by Messrs. Warner Moore & Co., Mr. Thomas L. Moore being the junior member, having been bought by them a little less than two years ago from the bondholders. The big plant had been installed with complete modern machinery, and run at its full capacity. The loss to the owners is thus summarized: Cost of structure January 25, 1902. \$110,000 Cost of machinery, installed as soon as practicable. 75,000 Value of wheat and corn in the raw (estimated). 50,000 Value of meal and flour on hand..... 20,000 Total loss\$260,000

Estimated insurance\$200,000 Net loss (estimated)......\$ 60,000 The plant had an enormous productive capacity. When running with full force it ground out daily; 1,000 barrels of flour; 1,500 bushels of meal; 45 tons of mill feed. So perfect was the machinery

that but forty men were required to run it. The origin of the fire is unknown, but there is suspicion of an incendiary. The plant had been shut down since Thursday afternoon. The key to the private alarm box had recently been stolen or lost